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DX News

Ham Radio Friedrichshafen 2021

After it was not possible for the International Amateur Radio Exhibition to take place last year due to the coronavirus pandemic, the trade fair organizers on Lake Constance are optimistic that they will be able to provide a meeting place for the industry from June 25 to 27, 2021. With German Amateur Radio Club e.V. (DARC) as the perfect sponsor, the course is now being set for the 45th edition of the Ham Radio. "We are watching the situation closely, of course. At the moment we are assuming that we will be able to hold the Ham Radio in accordance with an extensive, tried-and-proven safety and hygiene concept and are looking forward to seeing everyone again at Europe's most important trade fair for amateur radio," explains Messe Friedrichshafen CEO Klaus Wellmann. https://www.dx-world.net/ham-radio-friedrichshafen-2021/

2021 IOTA Honour Roll Listing

The 2021 Honour Roll and Annual Listings have been posted **here** on the IOTA website. Despite the damage done by the Covid-19 virus to DXpeditioning in the past year, IOTA has still managed to record increased participation in the latest performance tables. The two main listings with a total 1667 entries show an increase of 19 over the same listings in 2020. Some 258 record-holders now have scores of 1000 or more IOTA groups, an increase of 2% on last year, and 590, unchanged, have scores of at least 750 groups, the number required for the IOTA Plaque of Excellence.

https://www.dx-world.net/2021-iota-honour-roll-listing/

DX-World quiz #18

Here's the next DX-World Quiz. Pass mark is still 60%, although some of these questions are quite tricky. All questions & answers have been researched and are found online. https://www.dx-world.net/dx-world-quiz-18/

DX-World DXpedition Gallery 2020 (January-March) DX-World DXpedition Gallery 2020 (April-December)

The first installment of the 2020 DX-World DXpedition Gallery is shown below. These are pictures sent to DX-World for publication then stored away safely in our database never to be seen again. Until now!

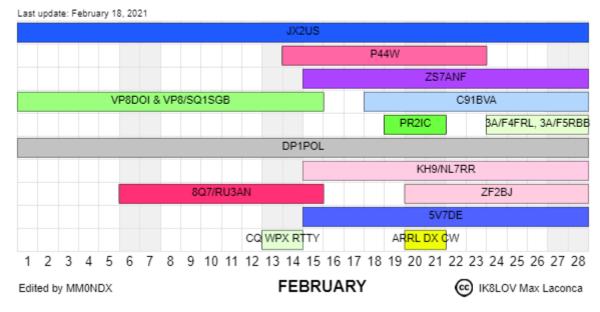
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Radio Garden

This is not ham radio, and we hadn't heard of it before, but since it's **UN World Radio Day**, we thought a good idea to post this link to a pretty neat website called **Radio Garden**. It's self-explanatory and certainly very interesting listening to the different musical tastes and styles of each country or island. Have a play around the globe.

DXCC timeline





This week on air

This can change daily, please visit https://www.dx-world.net/ for updates.

3A, MONACO Mireille F4FRL and Patrice F5RBB will be operating as 3A/calls from February 24 until March 2. QRV from 40 to 20 meter using SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW. **3W, VIETNAM** Sebastian, SP5FAR is operating as 3W9FAR from Da Nang. Activity until March. QSL via home call.

5V, TOGO Daniel, HB9EHD is QRV as 5V7DE during February. He supports the doctors at the university hospital in Kara. He is operating during his spare time on 40 meter and 20 meter using FT8 and OQ-100 for SSB. All QSO will be confirmed by LoTW. See QRZ.com.

9J, ZAMBIA Brad, 9J2RS is a new operator based in Lusaka. Have been active on 20; 17 and 15 meter with a vertical and an old marine transceiver.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE Bruno, CS7AMN will be active as C91BVA starting from February 18. Operation on HF bands, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW.

HK, COLOMBIA Lothar, DK8LRF extends his stay due to Covid until end April. QRV as HK3JCL. QSL via home call.

JW, SVALBARD Erling, LB2PG is QRV as JW/call from Bear Island until June 1. Activity during his spare time from 80 to 20 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

JX, JAN MAYEN Erik LA2US is active as JX2US until April. He operates CW, FT8 and probably some more modes. Focus on 160m, 80m, 40m and 30m.

KH9, WAKE ISL Tom, NL7RR will be back on Wake island starting mid-February for about 90 days. Operation during his spare time on 40 and 20 meter using SSB.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will be active as P44W during the ARRL DX CW Contest (Febr 20-21). Operation before and after the contest as P40W until February 23. QSL via N2MM and LoTW.

PJ4, BONAIRE Marty, W1MD will be operating as PJ4A during the ARRL DX Contest (Febr 20-21). Possible some low band activation during the evenings. QSL via LoTW or via K4BAI.

ZC4, UK SOVEREIGN BASE Garry, 2M1DHG is active for at least 2 years as ZC4GR. Activity on HF using SSB and digital modes such as FT8, SSTV, PSK31, WSPR mostly between 17 and 19 UTC "a few nights a week". QSL via EB7DX.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISL Tev, TA1HZ will be active as ZD8HZ throughout 2021. He will use 100w to a windom wire antenna. Operation during his spare time. https://www.grz.com/db/ZD8HZ

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Bruce, K0BJ will be operating as ZF2BJ between February 20 and March 5. Operation mainly on the WARC bands using primarily CW. QSL via LoTW or home call.

Coming up

PJ2, CURACAO Andy, DK5ON will be operating as PJ2/call from March 4 until March 23. Activity from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

PJ7, SINT MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be active as PJ7AA from February 27 until March 27. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via LoTW and Club Log.





IOTA

This week on air

EUROPE

EU-012 Shetland Gareth, M0MOL is active as call/P during February and March. QRV in QRP mainly in the evenings.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-204 Cayo Blanco de Zaza Reinaldo, CO6RD will be active from the lighthouse (possibly counting for IOTA group NA-204) on February 19-21 during the American Lighthouses Weekend. QSL direct to EA5GL.

OCEANIA

OC-161 Nias Isl Mario, YD6HNL is a new operator in North Sumatra; He has bee, active on 15 meter using FT8. QSL via EB7DX.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-018 Tabon Isl Members of the Melipulli Radio Club will be operating as CB7FT during February 19-21. This to participate in the 13th edition of 'American Lighthouse Weekend'. Operation on HF using SSB and digi.

SA-024 Comprida Isl Look for PU2SDC and PY2RMZ as PR2IC during February 19-21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter. QSL via PY2RMZ.

SA-024 Comprida Isl Members of PY2GMR team will be operating as ZW2I during February 19-22. This is during the 13th American Lighthouse Weekend.

Coming up

ASIA

AS-152 Bol'shoy Begichev The Arctic Legends team (RT9K) recently received their RI0Q license with a view to being active from Bol'shoy Begichev AS-152 starting March 4.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

3X, GUINEA

9L, SIERRA LEONE

Jean-Philippe J28PJ will be operating from these location during September 2021. A side trip to AS-037 and AF-051 is possible. More to follow.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Starting March 10, Take JG8NQJ will be active again as JG8NQJ/JD1. His length of stay will be around 3 months. JD/M is #23 most wanted entity listed on Club Log.

VK9C, COCOC KEELING ISL A large team will be QRV as VK9CE between March 16 and March 23. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB, CW and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or via EB7DX direct or bureau.

THE REMINDERS

5H, TANZANIA Sergey, UT9UU will be operating as 5H3UU from Dar Es Salaam during early August. QSL via home call, LoTW.

5H, TANZANIA Roman, RA/3W3RR (ex-9Q9RR) has announced plans to be active from Zanzibar island, AF-032. Currently no set dates as to when 5H1RR activity may happen due to COVID-19. More info to follow in due course..

5T, MAURITANIA Tom, DL7BO has plans to be active as 5T7OO soon and staying there for a long period. More info to follow. QSL via DJ6TF.

8Q, MALDIVES Nobby, G0VJG will be active as 8Q7CQ from the Reethi Faru resort between September 29 and October 13. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digi. QSL via M0OXO.

A3, TONGA Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as A35GC somewhere in 2021. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the DXpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

CEOY, EASTER ISLAND The Polish DXpedition Team with Jan SP3CYY, Jurek SP3GEM, Wlodek SP6EQZ, Janusz SP6IXF, Roman SP9FOW and Piotr SP9RCL will be active somewhere during 2021 as XR0YSP. Plans are to be QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.

CYO, SABLE ISL Permission for a DXpedition has been authorized with the team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU. The CYOC Sable Island DXpedition team will be active somewhere October 2021. http://cv0dxpedition.net/index.html

E6, NIUE Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM during October-November. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the DXpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

FG, GUADELOUPE Phillipe, F1DUZ will be active as FG4KH from March 16 until April 1. An entry in the CQWW WPX SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed until August 8-16. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. http://www.to5t.com/

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between June 29 and July 13. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW. http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July20.html

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: due to Covid this trip will be postponed. As soon the situation changes Tom will let us know when he departs Saipan. **HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL** A DXfriends DXpedition will take place to San Cristobal. QSL via EA5RM. More to follow.

J8, GRENADINES Brian, GW4DVB will be operating as J88PI between July 23 and August 1. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. https://www.g4dvb.co.uk/dxpedition-2017

JD1, OGASAWARA Takio, JH3QFL will be operating as JD1BQA between May 1 and May 7. Activity on 160, 80, 40 and 6 meter using FT4/8 and satellite RS-44 on CW. QSL via home call.

JD1, OGASAWARA Koji, JE3GRQ has not yet concrete plans but will be operating as JD1BQI somewhere in 2021. This will be a 6 meter EME operation. More to follow. KH4, MIDWAY ISL Ron, KH6DV announces a trip to Midway during September 2021 for about 2 weeks (if the COVID 19 is under control). Midway Atoll is #14 on the Clublog most wanted list and has not been active for some time. The aircraft used for the logistics flights has been downsized and visitors are no longer allowed to fly to the island. Operators interested in joining the expedition should be prepared to undertake a 6.75 day ocean voyage. The vessel DXpedition veteran A/S Machias can be seen on my QRZ page KH6DV. The vessel will provide all power (2 x 27KW generators and air conditioned sleeping, operating and galley areas.) More to follow.

KH8, SWAINS ISL Due to the Covid-19 pandemic it is still impossible to travel to Swains Island. This means that we have to postpone our DXpedition until Spring 2021 at the earliest. Alex Jennings (owner of island) and the team will start planning again as soon as we are allowed to travel to American Samoa without restrictions (such as 14 days in quarantine).

OJO, MARKET REEF Joseph, AD7D will be operating as OJ0D during the summer 2021. Dates not yet confirmed. More to follow.

PJ5, SINT EUSTATIUS John, W5JON will be active as PJ5/call between June 22-28. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL direct or LoTW.

PZ, SURINAME Markus, DJ4EL informs: Due to the rising Covid-19 cases in Europe tourists who would like to visit Suriname must bring a negative Covid-19 test and are required to be quarantined for 10 days after arrival. The second problem is that on the way back to Germany I would have to travel via Amsterdam airport which could make another Covid-19 test and another quarantine at home necessary. New dates: PZ5GE, Easter 2021. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.

TT, CHAD The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as TT8XX (FT8) somewhere during 2021 from Ndjamena. Nine operators (I1FQH, I1HJT, I2PJA, I2YSB, IK2CIO, IK2CKR, IK2DIA, IK2HKT and IK2RZP) will be active with four stations on all bands. QSL via I2YSB (direct only). http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/

V4, ST KITTS John, W5JON will once again be active as V47JA from Calypso Bay between June 12 and July 10. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW or via home call direct.

VK9W, WILLIS ISLAND The 2016/2019 CY9C team, and the upcoming Sable Island DXpedition CY0C team, is pleased to announce a new DXpedition. After the Sable CY0C DXpedition, they will go to Willis Island as VK9W or VK9HR from November 3 until November 13. A team with 5 operators so far (VK2IR, VK3YP, VK2RF, VK2OK and VK2PN) will be active from 160 to 10 meter...More to follow.

VQ9, DIEGO GARCIA Dates are not confirmed, nor length of activity, but Bob DU7ET could again be active from Diego Garcia as VQ9ET later this year. Update to follow... **XT, BURKINA FASO** Max, DK1MAX will once again be active as XT2MAX somewhere during 2021. QSL via EA5GL. More to follow.

XV, VIETNAM Brian, AA5H will be operating as 3W9OK from Da Nang during March – April. Activity will be on HF using FT8 and RTTY. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call.

YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO **Z6, KOSOVO** A Belgian team will be active somewhere in 2021 from Kosovo. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, OQRS.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

ASIA

AS-080 Pukkyognyolbi Isl Kim, DS3BBC and friends will be operating as D70EXPO during July 22-25. Activity from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via DS3BBC, LoTW or Club Log.

OCEANIA

OC-268 Laut Kecil Isl Look for Ravie YD7RV/P and others somewhere during March. QSL via LoTW. More to follow.

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-045 Gore Isl A team with 6W1KI, 6W1PZ, 6W1QL, 6W7JX and others will be operating as 6V1A when the situation is possible. Activity on various bands with 2 stations using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

AF-115 Mukawwar Isl As news of Covid vaccines emerge – with hopefully an improving picture across the world by the middle of next year – plans for this particular island activity will restart after March 2021. Future updates will be posted here.

EUROPE

EU-111 Monach Isles A team with G0VJG, G2NF, G4TSH, GM0WED, G4FAL and G0FDZ will be active as MM8C during the IOTA 2021 contest period from Ceann Ear. Outside the contest they will be active as GM3RCV.

EU-123 Bass Rock Team MS0INT (EI6FR, MM0NDX, MM0OKG and cameraman) has today been granted permission to land on the Bass Rock (EU-123) and to undertake an IOTA DXpedition there. Tentative date: April 17-18. The Bass Rock has only ever been activated three times (1997, 2001, 2008) according to research. The team is indebted to Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Sir Hew Dalrymple for allowing them to land on his island.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-039 Adak Isl Rob N7QT, Yuri N3QQ and Yuri UA90BA will be active as KL7RRC from Adak Island during June. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO. NA-070 Kiska Isl Rob N7QT, Yuri N3QQ and Yuri UA90BA will be active as KL7RRC from Kiska Island during June. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO.

NA-041 Shelter Isl Phil, KC3CIB will be operating as call/KL7 during his spare time starting June. When time permits, he will be active on HF using mainly digital modes. QSL via home call, direct.

OCEANIA

OC-037 New Zealand Sub Antarctic Islands (Campbell Island) The Perseverance DX Group (PDXG) has some unfinished business. Several members participated on the 2012 ZL9 activation that was cut short by weather. After their successful VP8PJ South Orkney Islands 2020 DXpedition, PDXG is pleased to announce their intention to activate the New Zealand Sub-Antarctic Islands (ZL9), Campbell Island. Club Log #24 most wanted, in the 2021-2022 time-frame.

The plan includes 160-10m operation, CW/SSB/RTTY/FT8, with emphasis on 160, 80, 60, 40 and propagation dependent, 12 and 10 meters.

The landing permit process is pending and discussions with transportation partners have begun. However, the Covid-19 lockdown has caused significant delays and uncertainty.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-092 Papegaaien Isl Markus, DJ4EL informs DX-World that he has new dates for his IOTA DXpedition to Papegaaien Island as PZ5G. He hopes to be QRV from this rare IOTA during April 2-5. Activity on 80-10m using CW and SSB.

- -PZ5G grid GJ15kv (10-80 meter CW and SSB)
- -PZ5GE grid GJ25kr (10-40 meter using SSB only)

More on QRZ.com

Antarctica base stations

Belgrano II Base Ramon, LU3HRS reports he is now active from Belgrano II Base, Coats Land, Antarctica <u>during the 2020-2021 scientific research season</u>. His exact locator is HB22qd. QRV mainly on 20m FT8-FT4-JT65 when time permits. QSL via LoTW or bureau via LU4AA.

King Se-Jong Base As part of the next scientific team, look for Lee, DS4NMJ to again be active from the King Se-Jong Korean Antarctic Base on King George Island, South Shetlands as DT8A <u>in 2021</u>. QRV on FT8, CW & SSB, 100w. QSL via DS5TOS. Dates to be confirmed.

Neumayer Station III Organizing an Antarctic expedition in the times of COVID19 is quite a challenge, so the German polar institute (AWI) had to find a different approach to the logistics for the upcoming Antarctic summer season. All transports will be carried out by ship directly from Germany. There is only a small team of about 20 technicians and scientists travelling to Neumayer Station, Antarctica, this year. YL Theresa (DC1TH) and Felix (DL5XL) will be part of that group.

<u>From mid-January to mid-March 2021</u>, DL5XL expects to be active from the research station "Neumayer III" signing DP1POL.

The ham station in Antarctica is equipped for HF and QO-100 satellite. Club call DP0GVN may also be used at times by other operators.

QSL manager for DP0POL/mm and DP0GVN is DL5EBE, QSL cards for DP1POL will be handled by DL1ZBO (direct, bureau or LotW for all call signs).

Syowa Station Takumi, JG3PLH is the operator who will be stationed at Showa Research Base, Queen Maud Land, AN-015 <u>starting February 2021</u> and <u>lasting through to January 2022</u>. QRV as 8J1RL on HF , CW, Digital Modes. QSL via the bureau to 8J1RL, or direct to JG2MLI.

Vostok Station Alexey, RX6A is active <u>until May 30</u> as RI0IANT Operation from 40 to 15 meter using CW and FT8. Operation until end May 2021. QSL via home call. **Wolf's Fang Camp** Oleg ZS1ANF (UA1PBA) is currently on his way to Wolf's Fang Camp (Runway) Antarctica and hopes to again be active as ZS7ANF starting early February. There is a possibility he may also operate from Whichaway Camp too. QSL via RK1PWA.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

9A, CROATIA Look for **9A10FF** for the Croatian Flora Fauna ARC to use <u>during 2021</u> to celebrate its 10th anniversary. QSL via LoTW or via 9A2MF direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA 4UNR is the special call for the VIC Amateur Radio Contest DX Club (4U1A) to celebrate World Radio Day <u>until February 28</u>. This activity counts for Austria for DXCC, and for the Vienna International Centre for the CQ DX Marathon. QSL via UA3DX, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

SM, SWEDEN SK75AT is the special call for the Foreningen Umea Radioamatorer Club (SK2AT) to celebrate its 75th anniversary <u>until end 2021</u>. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log. (TNX 425DX)

SV, GREECE Amateur radio operators from Greece have been granted permission to use special prefixes <u>until end 2021</u> to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Greek Revolution of 1821 which led to the formation of modern Greece. The special prefixes do not differentiate the call areas: Class 1 licensees can replace SV# with **SX200** (e.g. SX200AEL is SV2AEL, while SX200RMA is SV8RMA and SX200COL is SV9COL), Class 2 licensees can replace SY# with **SY200**, club stations can replace SZ# with **SZ200**. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA The Pride Radio Group will be active as VI2021PRIDE on 19
February- 7 March, 10 April-5 May and 1-30 June. A unique QSL card will be issued for each event. QSL via VK3FUR direct. (TNX 425DX)

THE REMINDERS

Scuba Ham Award: underwater and on air around the world

DX Holiday introduces the SCUBA HAM AWARD, the diploma of amateur radio scuba divers, with the sponsorship of Mediterraneo DX Club. Operation on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Activity during February. SCUBA HAM's stations will call CQ Scuba Ham Award on phone, CQ Scuba on CW and DIGITAL. https://www.dx-holiday.com/scuba-ham-award/

- **9A, CROATIA 9A64AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using <u>until the end of the year</u> to mark his 64th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call.
- **9K, KUWAIT** During the month of February, in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the country's independence, the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society (KARS) will activate special callsign **9K60NLD** (QSL via 9K2RA), and all 9K amateur radio operators will be allowed to use the special prefix **9K60** e.g. 9K2GS will be signing 9K60GS. (TNX 425DX)
- **CT, PORTUGAL** Valdemar, CT7AQD will be active as **CQ750RSI** throughout 2021 to commemorate the 750th anniversary of the birth of Elizabeth of Aragon (1271-1336), queen consort of Portugal and patron saint of the city of Coimbra. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** DARC's local branch D13 (Maerkisches Viertel) will operate special call **DL73TXL** <u>until end June 2021</u> to say goodbye to Berlin-Tegel Airport (IATA code TXL), the main international airport of Berlin, which is expected to close permanently in early November. Along with Gatow and Tempelhof, it played a pivotal role during the Berlin Airlift (1948-1949), organized by the Western Allies to carry supplies to the people of West Berlin. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** Look for **DR100JL** and **DQ100JL** from March until end May. This to mark 100 years of Junkers aviation together with **DA0FFR, DB0FRR, DF0FFR** and **DK0FFR**. http://www.100julu.de/
- **DL, GERMANY** Look for **DR165TESLA** by members of DARC OV Mainz <u>during 2021</u>. This to celebrate the 165th birthday of Nikola Tesla. QRV on all bans using all modes. QSL via DK8ZZ, Club Log OQRS, LoTW. Your card is not needed.
- **DL, GERMANY** Uwe, DO2PZ will be active as **DB100AVUS** throughout 2021 to celebrate The 100th anniversary of the AVUS (Automobil-Verkehrs- und Uebungsstrasse, "Automobile traffic and training road"). Located in the south-west of Berlin and opened in 1921, it is the oldest controlled-access motorway in Europe. Until 1998, it was also used as a motor racing circuit. QSL via DO2PZ, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** Special callsign **DR50AGCW** will be active throughout 2021 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Arbeitsgemeinschaft CW DL (Activity Group CW DL. QSL via bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** Commemorating the 220th anniversary of the birth of Friedrich Clemens Gerke, members of DARC Ortsverband Kerpen G29 will be active as **DC220GERKE** from 2 February to 30 April. QSL via DJ6SI (direct or bureau). Gerke (1801-1888) was the

- reformer of the Morse code; his improved version of the original code was adopted by the International Telegraph Union (the precursor of today's ITU) in 1865. (TNX 425DX) **EA6, BALEARIC ISL** Look for **EA6URM**, **EA6URE**, **EA6URA**, **EA6URI**, **EA6URI** and **EA6URP** between March 1 and March 7. This to celebrate the Balearic Islands day. QSL via LoTW.
- **F, FRANCE TM1CCA** draws attention to a charity supporting research into pediatric cancers. For exact operating times scheduled <u>between January 30 and March 20</u> see qrz.com. QRV on HF on CW, SSB, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. QSL via eQSL, LoTW, Club Log. (TNX DXNL)
- **F, FRANCE TM18AAW** is the special call <u>until February 28</u> to celebrate the 18th Antarctic Activity Week. Operation by François F8DVD from his QTH in Maçon. The new reference for WAP program is 310. QRV from 40 to 10 meter. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. http://www.qrz.com/db/TM18AAW http://www.waponline.it
- **G, ENGLAND** The Hull & District Amateur Radio Society (HADARS, G3AMW, G8GBY & M0KUH) celebrates its 100th anniversary with the callsign **GB100H** <u>during 2021</u> on 160m-70cm. Operators are Bernard/G0SWO, Bryn/M0GPN, Chris/G1WSA, John/M0JBA, Steve/M0OYR, Tony/G0WJK, and Trevor/G7IWE. QSL via GB100H (d/B) and eQSL. (TNX DXNL)
- **G, ENGLAND** The British Railways Amateur Society (BRARS) celebrates its 55th anniversary as **GB0LMR** throughout the year. The group plans to get on the air also during events like Railways on the Air. QRV mainly during daytime hours on 40-10m (SSB, PSK31/63). QSL via bureau or 2E1HQY (d). (TNX DXNL)
- **G, ENGLAND** Special callsign **GB75ISWL** will be active "on most bands and modes" throughout 2021 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the International Short Wave League. QSL via bureau. https://www.iswl.org.uk/ (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** The ARI Fidenza Club (IQ4FE) issues an award "Elettra: The Miracle Ship" in 2021, drawing attention to Marconi's yacht Elettra and its significance in his radio experiments. <u>During February</u>, **II4BLY** marks the acquisition of the vessel by Marconi in 1919. QSL via IQ4FE. (TNX DXNL)
- **I, ITALY** Look for **IB2ANT** <u>during February 2021</u> to mark the Antarctic Activity Week with a new WAP award reference WAP-308 on the air. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IK2QPR.
- **I, ITALY II1DCC** ("Drake & Collins Collectors") is the special callsign for a "vintage activity" to be conducted <u>until 31 December 2021</u>. Marco, IK1RAE and other operators will use exclu- sively Drake and Collins pieces of equipment, and will be QRV on the HF bands (30, 17 and 12 metres excluded) SSB, CW and maybe AM. QSL via the bureau to IK1RAE. (TNX 425DX)
- I, ITALY Promoting World Radio Day (13 February), the UN Global Service Center ARC (4U1GSC) in Brindisi will be active as **4U13FEB** on 2-28 February. DXCC wise, it counts for Italy. QSL via 9A2AA, direct or bureau. Also active on 13 February will be Michel, F8GGZ as TM23JMR from France (QSL via home call) and Radio Club Henares as EH4WRD from Spain (QSL via EA4RCH). World Radio Day was proclaimed in 2011 by the Member States of UNESCO, and adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 2012 as an International Day. (TNX 425DX)
- **JA, JAPAN** Members of JARL Joetsu Club is active as **8N0J** until end April 2022. This to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the city of Joetsu, Niigata. All QSO's will be confirmed automatically. QSL direct if needed via JJOAWX. (TNX 425DX)
- **JA, JAPAN** Look for special calls **/60** to mark the Okinawa Amateur Radio 60th Anniversary Festival Activities <u>during 2021</u>. All stations QRV in Okinawa Prefecture may use the suffix. https://www.jarl.com/okinawa/
- **LU, ARGENTINA** Special event station **L21RCA** will be active <u>throughout 2021</u> to celebrate the 100^{th} anniversary of Radio Club Argentino , the national IARU member society, which was founded on 21 October 1921. QSL via LoTW or via LU4AA (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)
- **LX, LUXEMBOURG** Celebrating his 40th anniversary in amateur radio, Andy, LX1DA will be active as **LX40DA** until end March, and again from 1 September to 31 December.

QSL via LX1DA; the log will be uploaded to Club Log and (after the end of the year) to LoTW. (TNX 425DX)

LZ, BULGARIA Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2021 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: LZ250KG (March), LZ1612EN (April), LZ1072BG (May), LZ308WK (June), LZ950TM (July), LZ363ER (August), LZ305AI (September), LZ1337KM (October), LZ1470IN (November) and LZ14MP (December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria.

OA, PERU Celebrating the 200th anniversary of Peruvian independence, the Ra- dio Club Peruano will activate four special callsigns until the end of the year: OC200P (May and September), OC200E (February, June and October), OC200R (March, July and November) and OC200U (April, August and December). QSLs via OA40. (TNX 425DX) OE, AUSTRIA OE100BL is the special callsign issued to the Burgenlaendischer Amateur Radio Club for celebrating throughout 2021 the 100th anniversary since Burgenland became an Austrian state. QSL via OE4JHW. Individual operators may also apply for OE100 to replace their prefix (e.g. OE4EIE will be signing OE100EIE). An award will be available, (TNX 425DX)

OH, FINLAND Look for **OH100SRAL** <u>during 2021</u>, this to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Finnish Amateur Radio Leaugue (SRAL). QSL via LoTW or bureau (early 2022).

OZ, DENMARK Special callsign **OVOJUTLANDIA** will be active <u>from 1 February to 31</u> <u>March</u> to commemorate hospital ship Jutlandia's humanitarian expedition (1951-1953) and Denmark's contribution to the United Nations during the Korean War. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Hans, PA7HPH will be using Covid-19 special callsign **PC19HOPE** <u>from January 15 to March 10</u>. See qrz.com for more information about this activity. QSL via PA7HPH (bureau preferred) and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The special event station **PA21BP** operates <u>during February</u> around the Scouts' Thinking Day on the Air. QSL via PA3EFR (d/B). (TNX DXNL) **SM, SWEDEN** <u>During 2021</u>, **SD400SU** celebrates the 400th anniversary of the city Sundsvall. Operators are the members of the Sundsvall Amateur Radio Club (SK3BG). QSL via SM3NXS (d/B), Club Log OQRS. (TNX DXNL)

SP, POLAND HF100LEM, operating from Krakow, marks the 100th birthday of the Polish writer Stanislaw Lem <u>during 2021</u>. QSL via SP9PKZ. (TNX DXNL)

SP, POLAND SP1DPA, SP1EG, SP1MGM, SQ1PSA and SQ3PMX are active as **SQ0MORSE** <u>until end April</u> to commemorate the 230th anniversary of the birth of Samuel F.B. Morse (1791-1872). QSL via SP1EG. (TNX 425DX)

SV, GREECE 200 Years of Greek Independence Award On air <u>during 2021</u>. The Greek War of Independence, also known as the Greek Revolution (Greek: Ελληνική Επανάσταση, Elliniki Epanastasi; referred to by Greeks in the 19th century as simply the Αγώνας, Agonas, "Struggle", was a successful war of independence waged by Greek revolutionaries against the Ottoman Empire between 1821 and 1830. Any Greek station, foreigners Greeks or friends of Greece all over the world may join "200 Years of Greek Independence Award". All mode and types of QSO are valid. Award manager is SV2RCK. https://sv2rck.gr/200YEARS/

SV, GREECE Nine multi-operator special event stations - namely SX1A, SX2A, SX3A, SX4A, SX5A (Dodecanese), SX6A, SX7A, SX8A and SX9A (Crete) - will be active during the countdown to the 200th anniversary of the "Agonas" (the Struggle), the Greek Revolution of 1821 which led to the formation of modern Greece. The countdown will start at -99 days to the actual celebration day (25 March 2021), and a serial number will be appended to each special callsign as follows:

14-23 February from SX3A/39 to SX3A/30

24 February-05 March from SX2A/29 to SX2A/20

06-15 March from SX1A/19 to SX1A/10

16 March SX9A/9

17 March SX8A/8

18 March SX7A/7

- 19 March SX6A/6
- 20 March SX5A/5
- 21 March SX4A/4
- 22 March SX3A/3
- 23 March SX2A/2
- 24 March SX1A/1

The serial numbers will be dropped only on 25 March. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, eQSL, or direct to SV2GWY. An award will be available, see qrz.com's entry for any of the special callsigns. (TNX 425DX)

TI, COSTA RICA On September 15, 2021, the Bicentennial of the Independence of Costa Rica will be celebrated with great fanfare. In commemoration of such an important and historical event, a team of radio amateurs will be activating the special call sign **TI2ØØI** to celebrate 200 years of independent life of Costa Rica.

The goal is to make Costa Rican independence known to the world with pride on its Bicentennial. Activation until October 29.

Bands - 6 to 80m (+ 2m).

Modes - SSB, CW and FT8 (+ FM).

Contacts will be confirmed via LotW, QRZ & QSL manager.

The team of operators will be announced soon.

UR, UKRAINE Nikolay UX0FF celebrates his 50th year on the air with the callsign **EO50FF** <u>during 2021</u>. QSL via UX0FF direct or bureau, LoTW, eQSL.

UR, UKRAINE Special callsign **EM25VER** has been active <u>since 1 February</u> to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Antarctic station "Akademik Vernadsky" (formerly a British research base that existed for nearly fifty years, it was handed over to Ukraine on 6 February 1996). QSL via UT1KY. (TNX 425DX)

UR, UKRAINE Special calls **EM150PLU**, **EN150PLU** and **EO150PLU** are active <u>during 2021</u> to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Lesya Ukrainka (1871-1913), one of Ukrainian literature's foremost writers. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

UR, UKRAINE Look for **EN100LT** to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Kharkiv Theater for Children and Youth. Operation <u>until end March</u>. QSL via UT5LU.

VK, AUSTRALIA Look for **VI100AF** (<u>March 1- May 21</u>) and **VK100AF** (<u>March 1-August 21</u>). This to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Royal Australian Air Force. More on QRZ.com.

VR, HONG KONG As one of the most popular icons in modern history, the legendary martial arts master Bruce Lee still inspires people worldwide more then 47 years after his passing. His great achievements transcend territories, time and disciplines. His charisma radiated from the silver screen, his prowess amazed the martial arts community, his profound legacy lives on forever in the hearts of people. To salute the all-time superstar, Hong Kong 1555th Kowloon Group (VR2CS) presents a Special Event call **VR2BLEE** operated by Igor VR2ZQZ.

YU, SERBIA Members of the Serbian CW Club are active as **YT165TESLA** <u>until the end of the year</u> to commemorate the 165th anniversary of the birth of Nikola Tesla (10 July 1856). QSL via the bureau, LoTW, or direct to YU1MM. (TNX 425DX)

ZL, NEW ZEALAND Celebrating the club's centenary, the Radio Society of Christchurch (ZL3AC) will be active as **ZL100RSC** throughout February. The first club meeting took place on 15 February 1921. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)